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In re application of

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**RESPONSE**

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THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED  
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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement of June 13, 2005, Applicant hereby elects Species A, which is illustrated in Figs. 1A-2D. Note, that claims 1-2 read on the elected species.

Having made the required election, a full examination on the merits of the elected species is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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